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Subject: Executive Matters and Legal Affairs; CR-70; Resolution 06-023

Relating to the appointment of Dennis Enomoto to serve on the Liquor

Commission of the City and County of Honolulu.

Place: City Council Chamber; 22nd Session

Time: Wednesday, February 15, 2006 @ 10:00 AM

Dear Chairman Dela Cruz and Council Members:

I have known Chairman Dennis Enomoto for approximately 7 months during my tenure as a Honolulu Liquor Commissioner. During that period Mr. Enomoto has contributed an exorbitant amount of voluntary time to achieve our goal of re-engineering the Honolulu Liquor Commission to become one of the best professional organizations in the nation.

The Liquor Commission has had a negative public image in the past. Chairman Enomoto has been instrumental in initiating and implementing change, which includes the development of a Strategic Plan, the hiring of a new administrator, communication with the City Council and the Administration and improving the morale of the Liquor Commission staff. In my role as a Commissioner, a participant in the adoption of the "New Strategic Plan" and the hiring of the new Administrator, I have observed his qualities of leadership, fairness and compassion. He has been available to all of us during the day and late hours of the night.

I am honored to serve with him on the Liquor Commission and highly recommend his reappointment as Liquor Commissioner for the City and County of Honolulu. I apologize for not appearing before you in person due to a business commitment that demands my presence.

Should you have any questions pertaining to my testimony please feel free to call me at my office: 808.533.8849 Ext. 388

Respectfully submitted,

Jon F. Yamaguchi